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Honorable Joel T. Broyhill  
House of Representatives  
Washington, D. C. 20515

Dear Joe:

Some of the boys in our Senior Seminar just stopped by my office to tell me how they had enjoyed your visit with them this morning. It was good of you to step up to the plate and bang out such interesting and sensible comments on the political scene on such short notice. I apologize for not tipping you off in advance that you might be called on, but in fact, I didn't realize that we would stumble into the Seminar in session or that they hoped to call on you for a few remarks. But when Hugh Cunningham raised the possibility just before we walked into your office, I told him I thought you'd be a good soldier and wouldn't mind giving the boys and girls a few off-the-cuff comments about the facts of life on the Hill.

Regarding your observations about how little many members of Congress know about the Agency, let me say that in our business we can't afford to encourage too much inquiry, discussion, and publicity, but on a selective basis we are anxious to keep the more responsible members informed to the extent that they are interested. With this in mind, I'd be particularly glad if you could spare the time some day to come out for a breakfast or a lunch (after all you live just a few minutes from our Headquarters building). We'd be delighted to sit down with you informally and tell you something about our organization, our mission, and how we are trying to do our job. If you like we'd also be more than happy to include Homer Krout. Whenever you think you can work a visit into your schedule, just give me a ring.

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Sincerely,

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